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For: **HUMAN TNF RECEPTOR**

AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the April 25, 2000 Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified patent application. A response to this Office Action is due July 25, 2000.

Please amend that subject application as follows:

In the claims:

Cancel claims 44-46, 56-58, 60, and 61, without prejudice.

Add new claims 62-77 to read as follows:

62. A homogenous receptor protein that (i) binds human tumor necrosis factor, (ii) has an apparent molecular weight of about 55 kilodaltons on a non-reducing SDS-polyacrylamide gel, and (iii) comprises the amino acid sequence of Figure 1. --